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Vessels inspected and granted bills of health, 9.

Aliens examined for Honolulu and Pacific coast ports.—Examined, 209; rejected, 73.

Aliens examined for Philippine Islands.—Examined, 35; rejected, 22.

Report from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels—Cholera in Hankau and vicinity; summary for summer of 1908.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, October 27:

During the week ended October 24 supplemental bills of health were granted to 2 steamships, with an aggregate personnel of 357. There were inspected during the week 1 steamship, with 58 in the crew, and manifests were viséed for 2,992 pieces of freight.

This port continues free from quarantinable disease, leprosy excepted.

It is stated that cholera is endemic at Hankau.

The total number of cases of cholera among the European population of Hankau last summer was 23, with 12 deaths. The estimate of cases among natives runs from 3,000 to 30,000.

Cholera was also epidemic during the summer, from about the middle of August, in Wuchang, Hanyang, Ichang, and cities and villages on the Han River, all more or less adjacent to Hankau.

Among foreigners cases of this disease were traced direct to ice-boxes and refrigerators and to the product of one ice factory which used river water that had been merely settled in tanks and run through an ordinary filter, with no attempt at sterilization.

CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Suarez reports, November 16:

Week ended November 14.

Bills of health issued	2
Vessels inspected prior to sailing	2
Members of crews inspected	71
Passenger inspected	1

No quarantinable diseases have been reported.

Report from Habana—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Sanitary conditions satisfactory.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Amesse reports, November 23:

Week ended November 21.

Vessels inspected	14
Bills of health issued	19
Members of crews of outgoing vessels inspected	929
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected	468
Vessels fumigated prior to sailing	4

General sanitary conditions in this city and throughout Cuba continue good.